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Training sessions startled some

By Larry Barszewski
Staff writer

Don't worry. We're not being invaded. Those low-flying military helicopters and aircraft recently disturbing the night calm were involved in training exercises — and there might be more before the week is over.

For security reasons, the U.S. Department of Defense doesn't announce when or where its personnel will be training. The only notice came from a media advisory posted by the Broward Sheriff's Office Jan. 5 that said local police agencies will be providing support for urban training exercises taking place "during the next two weeks."

Another training session is planned in Palm Beach County Feb. 9-16, county officials there said.

Noisy helicopters Monday and Tuesday night startled residents from Boca Raton to Fort Lauderdale. Some under their path, not knowing what was happening, couldn't help but think about the false missile alarm that went off in Hawaii over the weekend.

"It was particularly

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Chair-wielding woman bashes armed attacker

A second gunman fled with $10,000, detectives say

By Lisa J. Huriash
Staff writer

Two robbers with masks and guns were pummeling a man and his wife. But the woman fought back — repeatedly smashing a metal chair over one attacker's head.

The couple were able to hang on to one of the attackers — at 245 pounds — until deputies arrived. But the other gunman had already grabbed a bag containing $10,000 and gotten away.

The Broward Sheriff's Office said Elvia Castellon and her husband, Javier Ibarra, were returning to their Oakland Park home from their business, Paradise III Bar and Grill, 3809 Powerline Road in the Palm Key Plaza, also in Oakland Park, on Sunday night.

They were confronted by two masked men who had been hiding in some bushes. The men waved guns and demanded the couple's money. Castellon was carrying the bag of cash, officials said.

The couple fought instead.

One of the attackers, identified by the Sheriff's Office as Bennie Fulmore, beat Ibarra in the head and face with a gun. The second man, who is still uni-

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SUSAN STOCKER/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Voters head to a polling site at the Coral Ridge Mall to choose a new mayor and commissioners.

Trantalis, Roberts in runoff for Fort Lauderdale mayoral seat

A battle to lead the city of Fort Lauderdale is on, after voters Tuesday winnowed their choices for mayor and commissioners. Slow-growth candidate Dean Trantalis won the most votes in the mayor's race, and faces a runoff with second-place finisher Bruce Roberts, the former police chief. **Story, 1B**

Shark's travels take her to South Florida

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Savannah the great white shark, seen here being tagged on March 5, 2017 off Hilton Head Island, S.C., has been lurking off South Florida in recent days, according to Ocearch's global shark tracker (ocearch.org/tracker). The most recent signal from the 8-foot-6, 460-pound female's tag was transmitted at 10:37 p.m. Sunday, when she was about a mile off Haulover Park, 10800 Collins Ave. in northern Miami-Dade County. A few hours earlier, she had been near Hollywood, according to her Twitter account, @SharkSavannah. Savannah — her name inspired by the city in Georgia — has traveled over 3,500 miles since being tagged. Her path has taken her north to Nova Scotia, then back southward toward Florida.

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White House doctor says Trump is healthy

President aced cognitive test, but needs to change his diet and try to drop a few pounds, Dr. Ronny Jackson says. **2A**

Flu likely to spread, authorities say

With the threat of more strains emerging, outbreak might get worse, doctors say. **14A**

OLIVIER DOULIERY/TNS

Presidential physician Dr. Ronny Jackson says Trump is "fit to serve" as the country's leader.

FPL using tax break to cover Irma costs; bills will dip a bit

By Marcia Heroux Pounds
Staff writer

Florida Power & Light Co. said Tuesday that it will use its federal tax savings under the new tax law to wipe out $1.3 billion in Hurricane Irma-related costs.

As a result, FPL's typical monthly residential bill would drop to $99.37 from the current $102.72, according to the utility. Without Irma storm surcharges of $4 to $5.50 monthly until 2020, FPL said its 4.9 million customers would save an average of $250.

FPL had planned to start collecting a new storm charge in March and later ask Florida's Public Service Commission to approve additional charges until the electric grid restoration bill was paid.

"The timing of federal tax reform, coming on the heels of the most expensive hurri-

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